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FOR: STABILIZATION OF AROMATIC

ACTIVE PRINCIPLES USING AROMATIC POLYMERS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT OF RESTRICTION/ELECTION OF SPECIES

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 1, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I (claims 1-17 and 23-26). In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants elect, with traverse, the species of polyorganosiloxane comprising aryl groups linked directly to the silicon atoms of the siloxane skeleton, particularly phenylpropylsilsesquioxane as disclosed in example 1 of the present application. Of the non-withdrawn claims, claims 1-11, 15-17 and 23-26 read on the elected species.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 7 of this paper.